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SUBJECT: CHAIRMANSHIP OF 1979 MINISTERIAL

REFS: (A) VIENNA 3941, (B) STATE 106145

1. CHARGE RAISED CHAIRMANSHIP ISSUE DURING G-7 LUNCHEON MAY 10 WITH SECRETARY GENERAL VAN LENNEP AND PERMREPS GIVING U.S. POSITION AS PER REF B.
2. IN ENSUING DISCUSSION, GERMAN AMBASSADOR AND ITALIAN CHARGE NOTED THEY WERE PREPARED AT THAT TIME TO GO ALONG WITH TURKISH CHAIRMANSHIP FOR 1979 MINISTERIAL. NO ONE SPOKE IN FAVOR OF DECIDING ON AUSTRIAN CHAIRMANSHIP FOR 1980. VAN LENNEP SAID HE BELIEVED TURKEY HAD PRIOR CLAIM TO ELECTION. HE ALERTED GROUP THAT AUSTRIAN MINISTER ANDROSCH, WHO IS ACTIVELY SEEKING THE CHAIR FOR PERSONAL PRESTIGE REASONS, MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN 1980.

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3. AS SOON AS ADDITIONAL MAJOR DELEGATIONS INDICATE THEIR SUPPORT FOR TURKISH CANDIDACY, VAN LENNEP WILL INDICATE TO TURKISH PERMREP THAT ELECTION BY COUNCIL IS LIKELY (NORMALLY IN DECEMBER OR EARLY JANUARY).
4. THERE WAS SOME SENTIMENT IN GROUP TO SEEK TO AVOID A FIRM COMMITMENT TO TURKEY UNTIL CLOSER TO ELECTION

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